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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant(s): Emery et al.) Group Art Unit: 1645
Serial No.: 10/038,504) Examiner: Nita M. Minnifield
Confirmation No.: 5492)
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For: IMMUNIZING COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS OF USE

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed March 25, 2003, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group V (claims 30-38), drawn to a method for reducing fecal shedding of a microbe in an animal's intestinal tract. In addition, Applicants also elect species *Salmonella* spp. Applicants' Representatives reserve the right to pursue examination of the non-elected claims in continuation or divisional applications. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the restrictions in this case and submit that the inventions as claimed can be readily evaluated in one search without placing undue burden on the Examiner.

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